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Mormon Night Is Scheduled At Outdoor Theater

Again this year there will be a Mormon Night in the Woodminster ampitheatre in the East Oakland hills.

The popular and famous outdoor theatre at 3300 Joaquin Miller road, above the Oakland Temple, will be scene of one of the world's greatest stage musicals, "The Sound of Music."

The special night, when organizations of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will share in the proceeds is September 14 at 8:30 p.c. For proper credit make your reservation by calling the Woodminister Ampitheatre at 531-9577 and ask that your reservation be credited to Mormon Night. Mormon Nights have been featured in 1966 and in 1967.

Other performances of the "Sound of Music" which won all-church awards for the best family musical, will be September 6. 7, 13, 21, and 22, all at 8:30 p.m.

Richard King, a member of the church, and an attorney (offices in San Leandro will play Captain Von Trapp. His performances in Woodminster shows have been hailed in the Oakland Tribune and in other Bay Area newsapers as "best performance. One reviewer last year said his performance as 'Curly' in 'Oklahoma' was the best ever seen. He has been acclaimed for his rich, powerful voice and has been reported as "Woodminster's brightest star."

The role of "Maria' will be played by Peggy Overshiner. There will be a full orhestra to back up the Rodgers and Hammerstein score.

The Oakland Park Departmentpresents "The Sound" in cooperation wfith Oakland Light Opera Woodminster Summer Theatre.

ESTHER L. JOHNSON returns to the Temple Hill Organ Concert Series in the Oct. 6 concert at 4 p.m. Well-known and loved, she has played very year during the seven years of this series.

Esther Johnson In Return To Concert Series

Now the regular organist at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in San Francisco, Mrs. Johnson is one of the busiest and most prominent woman artists in the Bay Area. For many years she played at Bethany Lutheran, in Berkeley, and still has her lovely home on Spruce Street in Berkeley.

Mrs. Johnson is a past dean of the San Francisco Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, has been organist many times at the All Lutheran Reformation observances in Grace Cathedral, and is frequently the dedication articst for new organ installations in the area. Her program at the Intersstake Center, 4780 Lincoln Avenue, Oakland, Oct. 6 will be:

Ricercare by Johanne Pachelbel (1653-1706)

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I. Prelude

II. Prayer

III. Toccata

Next Concert: Sunday, Nov. 3, 4 p.m., **Dr. William Maul,** of New York City, organist.

Concord Stake Week At Camp

Two hundred forty girls and leaders from Concord Stake have concluded a successful week at Camp Liahona with the desire and inspiration to return next year for another week under the stars.

The week's activities were under the direction of Camp Director Ruth Cornelius, Stake YW president Jean Paquette, and Assistant Camp Director Mildred Gibbs, with the following staff assisting: Boots Barrus, Naomi Mulchay, Gloria Magleby, Patt Barrus, Billie Michael, Virginia Bates, Bette Crase, Luann Stewart, Lenna Searson, Corrine Tveter, Marguerite Wassom, Opal Hammer, Lela Davis, Melba Hill, Emmy Cox, Hope Fitt, Janice Evans and Carolyn Christensen.

Priesthood members serving were John Cox, Irel Barrus, Russell Cornelius, Ray Michael, Cecil Epling, Allan Austin and Cleon Fitt.

Big Sister duties and storytelling assignments were filled by Kathy Wassom, Eleanore Swart, Jean Spencer, Leslie Barrus, Shanan Finnegan, Shelley Adams, Amy Fellows, Pamela Speer, Claire Carlson, Diana Whiteside, Elaine Stevens, Sharla Cornelius, Laura Pierce, Sherry Long, Kaylene Tyler, Karen Durrant, Paula Dance, Lyndell Johnson, Kathy Marsh, Annette Challis, Maureen Ericksson, and Darlene Kakonnen.

Individual Ward Units were staffed by LaVon Long, Judy Jackson, Pam Searson, Pam Kidder, Antioch; Jackie Martin, Sally Lynn Kreiger, C.V.; Mary Ann Woodward, C.V. II; Marge Eisner, Joanne Winterstein, Con.; Norma Ericksson, Evelyn Kest, Con. II; Marie Renshaw, Rita Stokes, Martinez; Marsha White, Lorraine Tyler, Geraldine Harvey, Jackie Thomas, Oak Grove; Rene Mortenson, Lorraine Leavitt, Ruth Challis, Marge Kaiser, Y.V.; and Pat Trimble, Brenda Hood, Pittsburg.

Louis K. Thompson

Memorial services were held July 30 for Louis Kenneth Thompson, who was killed while in the service in Viet Nam. Brother Thompson is the son of Sister Vadis Branch of Fremont Ward.

The Primary presidency, officers and teachers sang a family request "The Old Rugged Cross."

Opening prayer was by Kent Hansen of the bishopric, some spiritual remarks by Fremont Stake Patriarch J. Ward Green and some personal remarks by Bishop Louis B. Gappmayer who had known Brother Thompson during his early youth.

A color honor guard represented the U.S. Marine Corps of which Brother Thompson was a member.

After the closing prayer the United States Flag was presented to Sister Branch.

Guide Patrol leader Janet Sipherd and the three Guide Patrol boys honored the birth of our Nation by participating in a Flag Raising Ceremony at 7 am. July 4 on the Fremont Ward Chapel grounds.

Momentarily the clock was turned back to July 4, 1776. when the document The Declaration of Independence was signed, with talks applicable to the occassion given by Kent McOmber and Vernon Spoon.

Brother Jay Hughes of the High Council brought to mind the hallowed day of the 4th of July, stressing reasons our Forefathers drew up such a document.

Utah Or Bust Says Primary

With Captain Kenny Steadman of the Top Pilot class of Primary in charge of the Pioneers, the trek over rugged territory to the Utah Valley began. This is how the children in Primary at Frefont Ward celebrated Pioneer Day July 25, 1968. Dressed in pioneer and Indian costumes, walking along beside their home-made wagon, toting their guns to protect themselves against Indans, they arrived at their destination, teasing their appetites with meager supplies of dried venison and soda crackers. This only whetted their thirst for water they did not have, but they forgot their thirst by singing pioneer songs around an imaginary camp fire.

Greg Black the blacksmith was kept busy keeping the wagons in good condition, so wagons like Gary, David and Nancy Pimentel's "UTAH OR BUST" could get through. Protecting themselves from Indians like Robert McBride. Jeff Kinney and others slowed them up a bit.

Mid Wife Debbie Winkel was kept busy with all babies on the train and her pink spiked heels dug deep into the rocky soil as she walked along carrying these babies choking from the heavy dust.

Back to reality in their respective rooms for Primary classes the Primary presidency Joan Reed, Wanda Bodily and Carol Wakley served them root beer to go with the doughnuts or cookies their respective teacher brought for a treat.

Fremont 4th

By Lola Reese

.Fremont 4th Ward wishes to announce a very special event to be held in the Fremont 3rd, 4h and 5th Ward Chapel on Bora Bora and Gatewood Sept. 21. This is a wellplaned open house. "MEET THE MORMONS" and will be held from 2:30 p.m. until 8:30 that evening. All ward members are invited and are especially urged to bring their friends and neghborhors with them, particularly those who have shown an interest in the Church and would like to learn more about the functions of our auxiliary organizations, our missionary program, welfare program, titing. word of wisdom, and Family Home Evening program.

The Primary organization will present a program at 3 p.m. At 5 there will be a concert in the chapel. At 7 a free dinner will be served to those attending and their guests. Throughout the chapel many displays and demonstraions will be available for those interested. The film, "Man's Search for Happiness" will be shown continually through out the afternoon and evening.

Saint Meets Pope

When Pope Paul visited Bogota, Columbia, South America, to attend the 39th International Eucharistic Congress Aug. 23, the (LDS) Church was represented. by invitation of the Eucharistic Council in Bogota, Prof. John Thomas, on sabbatical leave from BYU, teaching at the University of Bogota. and assisting in the presidency of the Venezuelan-Columbian district. was scheduled to meet the Pontiff on his precedent-breaking trip to South America.

The marriage of ROXANNE OXNAM of Ontario, Oregon and THOMAS A. DYSART of Oakland, was performed April 4, in the Salt Lake Temple by Elder Marion D. Hanks.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. George Oxnam of Ontario, Ore. The groom's parents are Mr and Mrs. Ronald R. Dysart of Oakland.

The wedding party left immediately after the ceremony by plane for Ontario where a reception was held for the young couple at the home of the bride's parents The bride and groom are students at Brigham Young University. The groom served as a missionary in England.

Orinda Ward

By June C. Johnson

President Kenneth D. Jensen officiated at the recent changes in the Orinda Ward bishopric.

Warren Blosil and Hugh Wiley were sustained as counselors to Bishop Merrill. Many new assignments were made Dale Godfrey wil be the Seminary teacher for the juniors and seniors, Walter Welti is the new priests quorum advisor. and Lew Helvey will be the new executie secretary or Home Teaching ,

All other organizations in the ward except the Primary, have also made changes this month. Julie Jauchau will be the new Junior Sunday School secretary and three new Sunday School teachers have been added: Jonae Christensen, Martin Palmer and Clyde Juchau.

The new superintendent for the Lafayette and Orinda Wards YMMIA is Howard Ruff and his councelors are Kent Bennio and Jim Smith.

In the Relief Society, Mildred Lindley, former social relations teacher, will now hold that position on the Stake Board. Delight Stephen will be the spiritual living teacher, replacing Gertrude Nelson, who was regretfully released due to failing heath. Bertie Moffett will be the new cutural refinement teacher and LaVon Eyring. the visiting teacher message leader.

The funeral of Sister Lorraine Sorensen was conducted August 5 by her bishop, M. Donald Merrill, in the chapel made beautiful by the artistry of her husband, Lamar. Her former bishop, Edmund Y. Wells, returned from southern California to give the main address of the service.

In addition to her husband. Sister Sorensen is survied by her two daughters, Caralee and Susan, and by many relatives in the Bay Area.

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Polynesian Luau

Attendance at the Polynesian Ward's annual luau Aug. 17 at the California Hall in San Francisco was 1300, the largest attendance in the ward's history, at the best organized luau the ward has held. Bishop Wilfred K. Laeha and his two counselors, Henry Davidson and Aaron Makaiwi were pleased with results and termed it a "huge success"

Serving ith the entertainment committee were: Wilred K. Laeha, chairman; Harriet Spalding, co-chairman. Paulani Kanahele, narrator; Mry Kehilihu, Sikinetti Netne Luis Young Makakoa, Mildred Makakoa, Faletofa Alo, Nancy Avei. Avalua Maui Henry Nawahine William Netane and Roy Te'o, Leroy Lavatai, and Aomalo Su'esu'e.

On the ticet and publicity cimmittee were: Henry Davidson, chairman, William Feagainmaalii. Elisaia Reupena, Fiso Faamaligi, Archie Makaiwi, Senifa Pu'efua, Lefiu Iereneo, Moliki Mulitalo, Mano Fesuluai Mapu Mauia, Meleke Magalogo, Folafolaga Avei.

With Aaron Makaiwi as chairman, the rest of the food committee consisted of: Clara Alip, Jerry Alip, ay BMakaiwi, Dinah Mokuau Maria Kalehua, William Kalehua, Harriet Akiona, Eliga uilesu, William Velles Sr., Josephine Velles, Patisepa Pei.

The ollowing sold 100 tickets or more apiece for the ward's luau: Salape and Fiso Faamaligi, Henry and Cardina Davidson, Masaga and Elisaisia Reupena, and Kay & Aaron Makaiwi. These four couples alone sold 500 tickets.

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The Oakland Fourth ward chapel was site of a wedding reception une 22 for Dawn R. Larsen and Gary Wood. Dawn is daughter M-Sgt. and Mrs. Donald R. Larson of Ft. Lewis, Washington. Gary is son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Wood and a member of the Oakland Fourth ward until he mope to Provo to complete his degree. oth are attending the Y. Gary completed a tmission. is a master M-Man and obtained his Bachelor's degree at the Y, where se was managing editor of the school newspaper.

BARBARA (LEE) KLINGMAN AND JERALD KINNEY PRATT were married June 7 in the Los Angeles Temple, with President Bowring officiating. Barbara is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick E. Klingman of Los Angeles and Jerry is son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Merrill Pratt, Oakland Fourth ward. Barbara is a junior at Brigham Young University where Jerry is a Junior. Jerry served a mission in the West Central States. The young couple will live in Provo while they complete their education. They were honored at a double reception with Barbara's sister, Diane, In Los Angeles. The bridegroom's parents held an open house for the couple at the Oakland Fourth ward cultural hall.

PHYLLIS ALICE WERE AND VERNON ATWELL DUNLAVY were married May 17 at Oakland Fourth Ward by Bishop S. Richard Wickel, Jr. Phyllis is daughter of Mrs. C. W. Were and the late C. W. Were of New Zealand. The bride is a registered nurse, working at Kaiser Foundation hospitals. The bridegroom is son of Mrs. and the late Mr. V. A. Dunlavy of Sonora, California, and works at San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard, Vallejo.

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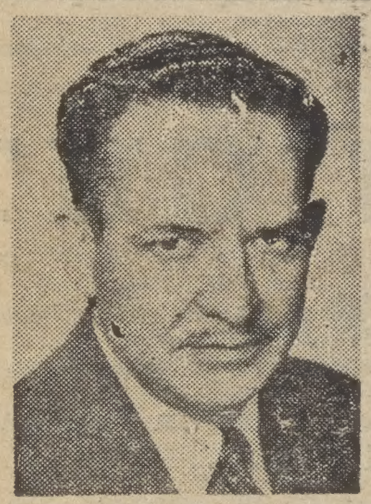

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Sister Hilda Applegate is spending some time in Salt Lake and Provo visiting and attending a summer course at B.Y.U. for genealogy workers.

Sister Helen Canning is confined to the memorial hospital in San Leandro where she recently underwent surgery.

Ward Eccles has left for the east here he will attend North Western University dental school.

Sister Lomona Atkins gave the concluding lesson for the summer Relief Society nursing course. She has made the lessons interesting and informative and has given the mothers much worthwhile material to use in their homes.

The Preece family was welcomed back to our area. They were former members of our ward when Dr. Preece was stationed on the U.S. Carrier Ranger. They have returned for another tour of duty at Treasure Island.

We welcome the Jansen family, Ron. Karen and son.

Sister Doris Hansen has returned from an extended tour of Europe and reports having had a wonderful time. She spent four weeks in the British sles and while in London went though the Temple. She visited relatives in Denmark and from there went to Bern, Switzerland, where she visited with Ruth Nelson ho is orking for the F.B.I., then on to Lucerne here she joined a group for a tour of eight other countries.

The Bauer boys Jerry and David, surprised everyone by coming home with the news of their aproaching marriages to girls ho are both from Idaho, no definite date has been set.

Congratulations are in order for Bob Boone ho recently passed the test and training for state highway patrolman He has been assigned to southern California for four months. then will be back in this area again

Are you watching the LDS T.V. broadcast on Friday Morning at 9:15 a.m.? If not you are missing a big deal.

September, the month in which the new Church year starts, will be remembered in Mission Ward as the month in which the first public rummage sale was held,, and possibly the start of an annual fund raising event.

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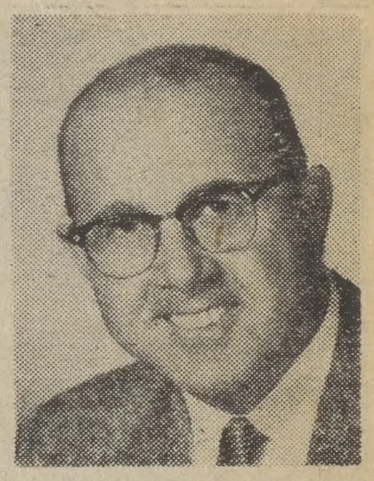

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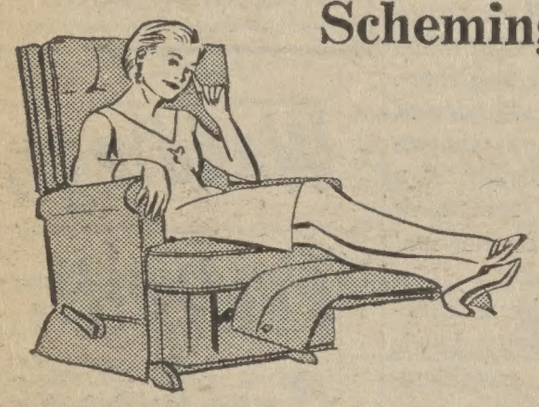

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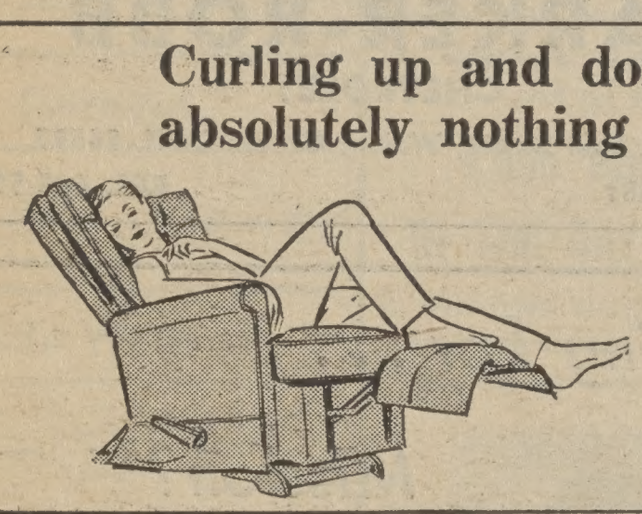

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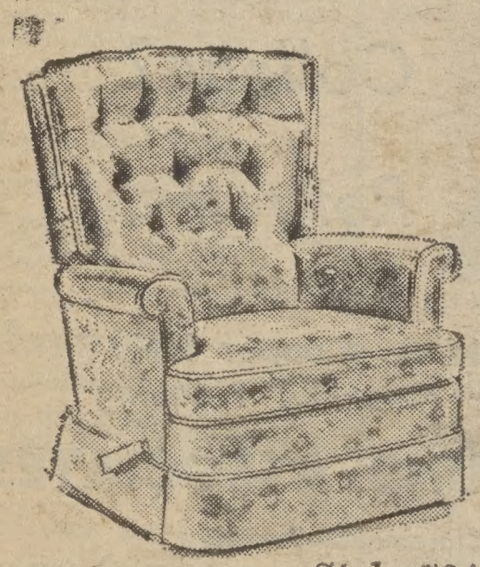

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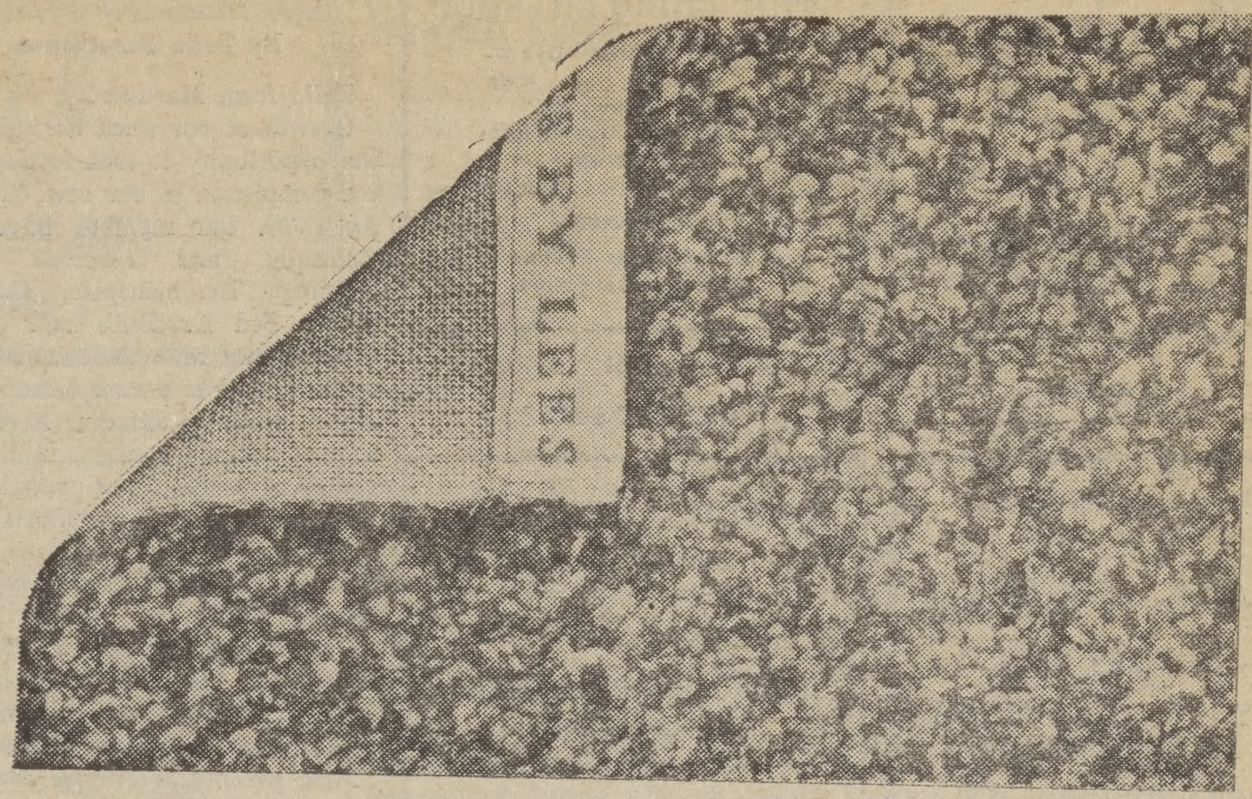

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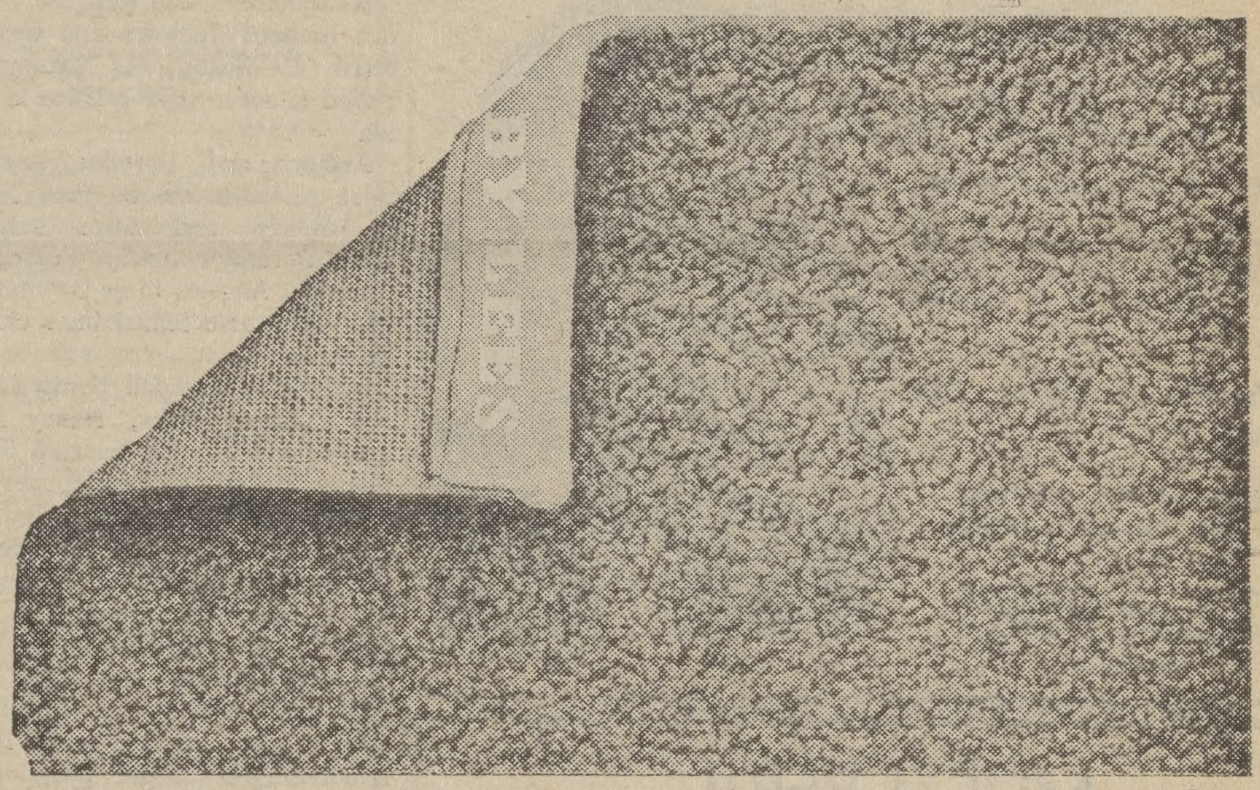

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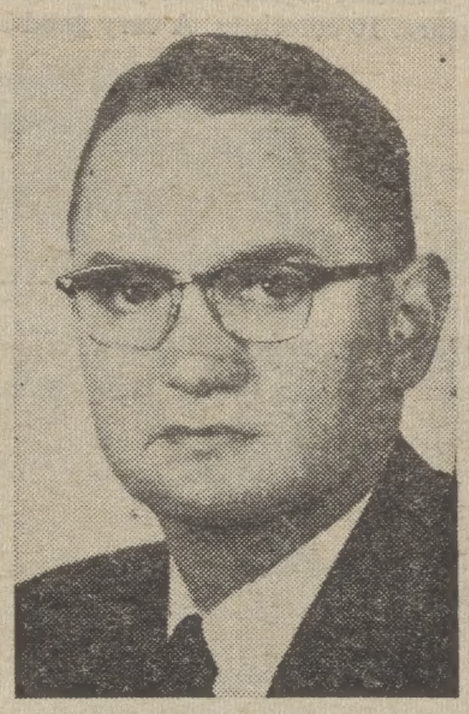

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Martinez Ward

By Della Breathouse

Hello from Martinez.

Growth of our ward has given us the opportunity to look forward to the completion of our new chapel in April '69. Our membes have given faithfully and received many blessings. The bishopric, Grant B. Shaw. Ted E. Smith and Charles Olorenshaw and their committees worked hard to accomplish the goal. Many welfare dinners have been held at various homes and the congenial association one with another made a success of the efforts of the saints.

Claudia Monson is the new Relief Society President with Audrey Easton and Marie Renshaw as counselors. Ida Perrins is the new spiritual living teacher and Rita Stokes the new work director.

New parents are Roger and Julie Gilchist, a daughter born April 12 Ted E. and Merrilyn Smith, a daughter May 22, Jim and Connie Barri, a daughter July 1, and Lyle and Donna Oram. a daughter June 1. The Primary presidency has added Della Greathouse as 2d counselor, and Fawn Stedman as secretary. Donna Clawson has been called as a Trekker teacher, Janice Whipple as Junior Primary chorister, and Sharon Ellermeirer as senior chorister.

The YMMIA has been recorganized with Merle Hult as superintendent with Gordon Jackson, Gary Player and Charles Waters. Cori Player is our new drama director, and Donna Oram a teacher in the Mutual organization.

Missionaries who returned home are Richard Jackson and Grant B. Shaw II. Sister Jill Barney was called to serve on a mission in Florida.

Arthur and Dorothy Zaragoza were sealed in the Oakland Temple in January and were surprised when Dorothy's family came up from Los Angeles to go through with her. They also sealed their children to them.

Girls who attended Camp Lihoma are Susan Shaw, Nancy Little, Terry Laudenslager, Susan & Stokes, Peggy Stokes, Valeria Cooper, Linda & Wanda Macey. Diane, Beth and Pam McMillian, and Michele Anderson Rita Stokes and Marie Renshaw went as leaders.

Scouts who attended Camp Wolfeboro are: Scott Bushby, Paul Hampton, Gordon Urbancic, Frank Marsack, Larry Johnson and Roland Laudenslager. Senior patrol leader David Whipple and Scoutmaster Le Grand Cook were also present.

Harvey Carpenter has joined the United States Marine Corps.

Those attending college this year will be Mike McGuire. Janet Barney, Iva Wardle, Grant Shaw II, Karen Shaw, who will be attending with hopes of attending BYU next BYU. Mike Urbancic ill start his first year at Sacramento State, year. Elwon Lance anr Lewis Bastian spent five eeks at a Seminary and nstitute seminar at BYU this summer Brother Bastian stayed an additional 5 weeks to continue his studies.

It was a happy day for the William Stokes family when their son was presented the Duty to God award. This award given to Steve for his long and faithful service in the church.

New members of the ward are Philip Carlson, James Ellis, Grace Shelton, Linda Anne Stevens, Phyllis Taber. and Pary Richard Edards (deacon).

Summer weddings. always popular this time of year, joined Richard Barney to Hollie Poell in the Los Angeles Temple June 6, His sister Janet was joined with Mark Sylvester on August 30, in the Oakland Temple. A wedding shower as held for Arletta Zehrung Aug. 8, in the Martinez chapel. Her forth-coming marriage will be to J. Adams who has sedved as activity counselor in the MIA before his recent release. A reception was held for Danny and Belinda (Wray) Johnson, following their wedding in the Martinez Ward with Bishop Shaw doing the honors.

Danville Ward

By Elizabeth O'Nion

Warren and Betty Lewis will be leaving for Hooolulu Sept. 3 to attend the wedding of son Steven, a pre-medical student at the University of Hawaii. Liz. Steve's bride-to-be joined the Church the first of last September and is now also attending the University of Hawaii where next June she will receive her 5th year teaching certificate.

The wedding will take place at the Ft. Shafter chapel Saturday Sept. 7 with a Hawaiian reception following. The following Wednesday Steve and Liz will be sealed in the Hawaiian Temple

The Lewises are looking forward to seeing Steve, their new daughter-in-law, and to renew the Aloha spirit of thei rfriends in the islands.

Tuesday and Wednesday evenings July 3 and 24 Danville Ward MIA participated in the stake roadshow. Even though we were not placed among the winners the talented and energetic young people of our ward put on an excellent show that filled all requirements of a roadshow. Even to having at least 75 percent of the 'active' members participating. Everyone had the feeling of a job well done and will remember these two dates as two of the 'fun' evenings of the year.

Norma Hansen is to be a counselor in Primary and Betty Lewis will be our new MIA president. We're looking forward to the opening of Relief Society.

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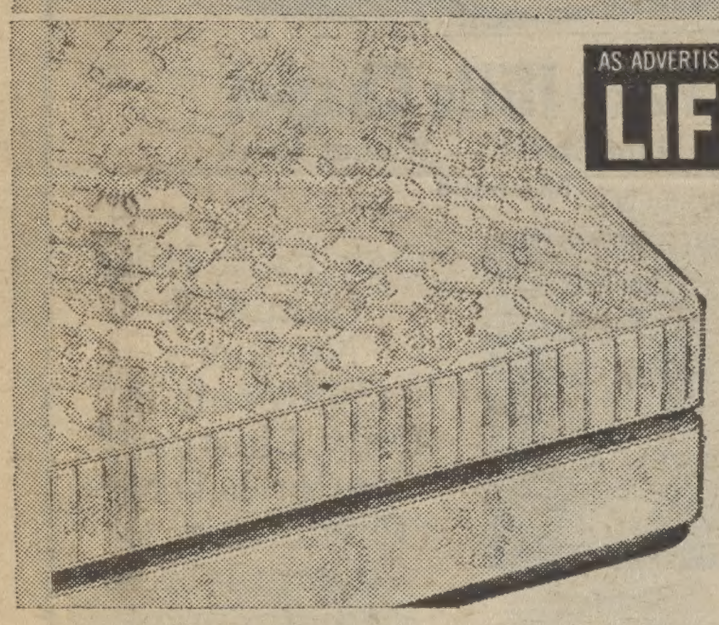

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